

HARRY THAW  
ENTERS PLEAThat He Is Not Guilty of  
Murdering White

WAS ARRAIGNED TODAY

His Counsel Asked for Permission to  
Withdraw the Plea if He Cases  
To — Grand Jury's  
Findings.

New York, June 29.—Harry K. Thaw pleaded not guilty this morning to an indictment for the murder of Stanford White at the Madison Square roof garden last Monday night. His counsel, former Judge Olcott, made the formal request to withdraw the plea by next Tuesday in order that any motion might be made or any other plea entered. The request was granted and Thaw was remanded back to the Tombs.

The indictment was brought by the grand jury yesterday afternoon, after a brief and perfunctory inquest. Thaw listened calmly to the testimony, and while the jury was out he chatted with his counsel and a policeman sitting near, laughing aloud at one stage of the conversation.

Mrs. Thaw's appearance before the grand jury had been looked forward to with considerable interest, as it was thought she positively would take advantage of the occasion to throw some additional light upon the tragedy. When she appeared and requested to be excused from testifying, the jury took the view that for the purpose of an indictment, her evidence was not necessary. After being ushered into the grand jury room, Mrs. Thaw was asked:

"When did you last see and meet Stanford White, the deceased?"

Without becoming excited in the least, but in a calm and rather forceful manner, she replied clearly, with emphasis on each word:

"I hope that you gentlemen will not insist that I shall answer any more questions. I must respectfully decline to answer the questions you intend to ask me. I say this with all respect to you, gentlemen."

Mrs. Thaw then asked her:

"Why don't you wish to answer?"

Addressing the foreman, Mrs. Thaw replied earnestly:

"I might say something that might do harm to my husband, and a wife ought to do all she can to protect her husband. I beg of you not to insist in putting further questions to me, because if you do I will have to decline to answer."

Addressing the jury, Mr. Garvan is said to have stated that the district attorney's office would not insist unless the grand jury so desired. The jury then held a short consultation among themselves and finally after a few minutes the foreman, turning to Mrs. Thaw, said:

"The grand jury has no desire to ask further questions, unless you desire to tell them anything."

Mrs. Thaw simply replied:

"Thank you."

She then was excused.

Stanford White was buried yesterday with simple ceremonies at St. James, Long Island, where he had a summer home. The services were held in the St. James Episcopal church.

In the opinion of the physicians who performed the autopsy on White's body the life of the architect was shortened not more than two years by the bullet from Thaw's pistol. He was found to be suffering from Bright's disease, from incipient tuberculosis and from fatty degeneration of the liver.

Thaw sent a message from the Tombs yesterday to Attorney Constock, president of the Society for the Suppression of Vice, saying he had received a letter which it would pay Mr. Constock to investigate. An agent of the society called upon Mr. Thaw yesterday afternoon, but was not admitted at that time. It was said that either the agent or Mr. Constock himself might see Thaw today.

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## OFFER \$25 FOR ELLI

The Man Who Escaped from House of  
Correction.

Rutland, June 29.—The officials of the house of correction have offered a reward of \$25 for information leading to the capture of Eli Odell, a prisoner, who by a clever deception, escaped from the institution Wednesday night. It is the second time that Odell has broken jail. He got out May 10 but was recaptured at Burlington. The prisoner, who is only 18 years old, was sentenced from Middlebury in December, 1904, to serve three years for stealing furs.

Odell had evidently planned his escape carefully. He was locked in his cell as the guards supposed, at 6 o'clock Wednesday evening. Examination of the lock yesterday morning showed that the prisoner had plugged it so that it clicked but did not fasten securely, deceiving his jailor. When all the prisoners were sleeping Odell left his cell and by means of a wooden key he had made, he opened the door into the school room. One in this apartment his exit was easily accomplished. By means of a rope, made by tying together strips of a torn sheet, he lowered himself into the cello. He pried the bars of a window apart with a stick of wood and being of light build managed to get his body through the narrow opening. He scaled the prison wall by means of several saw horses piled on top of each other. All traces of the prisoner after he left the prison yard are lost.

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FINDS THE JURY TODAY

John G. Bestgen of Quincy, Mass., Gave  
Proctor \$225 for Republican Cam-  
paign Fund—Where  
Is It?

Boston, June 29.—Robert G. Proctor, the former private secretary to Senator Lodge, was found guilty this morning by the jury in Superior court on the charge of larceny of \$225 entrusted to him by John G. Bestgen for the Republican state committee. He will be sentenced later.

Proctor was the principal witness in his own behalf. He did not deny that he received the contribution of \$225 from John G. Bestgen, and he said he understood it was intended by Mr. Bestgen that it be applied to the Republican state committee campaign fund.

The defendant said he did not ask Mr. Bestgen to give the contribution to him, but asserted that Bestgen came to the committee rooms upon his own initiative, called him into the corridor and handed him the roll. Proctor said he immediately gave the money to "some person competent to receive it," but can not remember who this person was. Mr. Proctor could not recollect who were in the committee rooms the day he received the money, except that Senator Lodge was at work in chairman Talbot's office. He thought he gave the money either to Col. Talbot or to James B. Reynolds, the executive secretary. He admitted that he made no memorandum of the amount given him by Mr. Bestgen nor did he transmit any written report of the contribution to Joseph N. Peterson, the treasurer.

Asst. Dist. Attorney Dennison gave considerable attention to refreshing the recollection of Col. Talbot, chairman of the committee. The colonel's recollection was not effectively refreshed, as he insisted to the end that he "did not remember" whether he had received Bestgen's \$225 from Proctor.

VERMONT FIREMAN'S  
ANNUAL MEETINGHerbert O. Kent of Montpelier Made  
President, P. R. Stone of Middle-  
bury President of Fire Chiefs.

Burlington, June 29.—The 17th annual meeting of the Vermont Firemen's association was held last night at the rooms of the Modern Woodmen of America with an attendance of 51 out of a membership of 85. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President, Herbert O. Kent, Montpelier; vice presidents, Charles H. Stevens of Winooski; J. H. Donnelly, Vergennes; Charles F. Ricker of Middlebury; E. S. Warner, Johnson; Ned C. Buck, Randolph; secretary, J. C. Moore, Burlington; treasurer, J. C. Grant, Burlington; executive committee, F. B. Bigwood, Winooski; A. W. Coote, St. Albans; C. O. Averill, Barre; E. M. Davis, Morrisville; G. B. Walton, Montpelier; auditors, Moses Murray, D. F. Carnody; international representative, G. T. Kidder, Middlebury; statistician, Moses Murray, Burlington.

A meeting of the Vermont Fire Chiefs' club was held last night and the temporary organization which was effected here April 20 was made permanent. Officers were elected as follows:

President, P. R. Stone of Middlebury; vice president, H. F. Reed of Keeneston; secretary-treasurer, C. R. Gladding of Barre.

The next meeting of the club will be held here in three months. The object of the organization is to get together and exchange ideas about fighting fire.

## AGAINST AUTO SPEEDING.

Montpelier City Council to Bring Prose-  
cutions for It.

The Montpelier city council proposes to stop the speeding of automobiles on the streets and has notified the police to attend to it. At the discussion of the matter at the last meeting of the council there it was stated that it is a common occurrence for autos to run from the Rialto bridge on State street to the lower end of the street at speeds ranging from 15 to 25 miles per hour. Several persons are said to have narrowly escaped being run down, and it is proposed to make arrests to serve as an example.

## MOUNTAIN ON FIRE.

Large Territory Burned Over, and Much  
Valuable Lumber Destroyed.

Newfane, June 29.—A fire was started, in some unknown way, on the mountain here yesterday and it has burned over a large territory. A large quantity of logs which were cut last winter and were stored by Holden & Martin of Brattleboro have been destroyed, but the amount of the loss is not known.

A sawmill and held a million feet of lumber owned by Holden & Martin were in danger yesterday afternoon.

## HEAVY DAMAGE AT ST. ALBANS.

St. Albans, June 29.—Four motor boats and six sail boats were smashed to pieces on the docks at St. Albans bay early this morning, during the heavy thunder storm. The loss is about \$2,000.

JOHN H. SENTER NAMED  
FOR CONGRESS FIGHTSecond District Democrats Met Late  
Yesterday Afternoon—New District  
Committee.

Burlington, June 29.—The second district Democratic congressional convention was held late yesterday. A. C. Shaw of Sharon was elected chairman, with F. H. Clark of Windsor as secretary. Three names were presented for the congressional seat. They were Don C. Pollard of Proctorville, J. H. Senter of Montpelier and O. C. Miller of Newport. The names of Mr. Pollard and Mr. Miller were withdrawn and Mr. Senter was unanimously nominated. The district committee was elected as follows:

Essex county, C. M. Fletcher of Canaan; Orange county, H. H. Ormsbee of Bradford; Washington county, C. W. McLeber of Barre; Windham county, J. F. Byrne of Rockingham; Windsor county, O. C. Sawyer of Sharon; Caledonia county, Elisha May of St. Johnsbury.

## E. P. CLIFT FOR CONGRESS.

Fair Haven Man Nominated by First  
District Democrats.

Burlington, June 29.—The first district Democratic congressional convention was held at three o'clock at the Strong theatre. It was called to order by J. H. Donnelly of Vergennes. T. H. Hall of Pownal was appointed chairman and J. P. Gault of Bennington temporary secretary. The temporary organization was made permanent, after which E. P. Clift of Fair Haven was nominated as a candidate for Congress. His nomination was unanimous. The district committee was elected as follows:

Addison county, J. H. Donnelly; Bennington county, J. P. Gault; Rutland county, T. W. Moloney; Chittenden county, E. P. Graves; Lincolnton county, C. L. Gates; Franklin county, H. C. Cummings; Grand Isle county, Frank Ford, for one senator.

HOT POLITICS IN  
CALEDONIA COUNTYS. D. Morse and W. H. Taylor Candi-  
dates for Senator—Which Wins  
Nomination for Sheriff.

St. Johnsbury, June 29.—The Caledonia county republican convention held here yesterday furnished enough politics to satisfy the most enthusiastic worker and was in session five hours. O. H. Henderson of St. Johnsbury was chairman and M. L. Hutchins of Standard secretary. The only business of the morning was the unanimous choice of W. H. Taylor of Hartwick, a lawyer, for one senator.

The real fun commenced soon after dinner when candidates were named for the second senatorship. J. T. Gleason of Lyndonville, S. D. Morse of Danville, W. A. Ricker of St. Johnsbury, L. A. Darling of Burke and B. K. Graves of Waterford were the candidates. Morse and Gleason had a good lead over all the rest until the sixth ballot when T. M. Vail, proprietor of Speedwell Farms of Lyndonville Centre, was entered as a dark horse receiving 21 votes with 13 for Ricker and 35 for Morse or one less than necessary for a majority. Morse won out on the next ballot, receiving 40 to 20 for Vail and one for Ricker.

The rest of the ticket follows: Assistant judges, Geo. T. Eastman of Walden and J. F. Hughes of Burke; State's attorney, Guy W. Hill of St. Johnsbury; sheriff, Geo. F. Welch of Barre; judge of probate, Walter P. Smith of St. Johnsbury.

One ballot was necessary for the second assistant judge and for sheriff, Finch, defeating W. H. Worthen of St. Johnsbury, after one of the hottest pre-convention fights seen in this county for many years. Eastman, Hill, Rand, Finch and Smith secured themselves in their respective offices.

## INJURY WAS FATAL.

Ralph Lee of Burlington Had Been  
Thrown from Wagon.

Burlington, June 29.—Ralph Lee, aged 12, who was thrown from a wagon on Tuesday afternoon, suffering a compound fracture of the right leg above and below the knee and a fracture of the left leg below the knee, died last evening about nine o'clock. The boy never rallied from the shock of the accident and his right foot was amputated yesterday morning as the only chance of saving his life. The dead boy's mother, Mrs. W. H. Lee, is at the Mary Fletcher hospital, her right foot having been amputated recently because of tuberculosis of the ankle joint.

Ralph Lee was injured Tuesday afternoon while driving the delivery wagon of Charles H. Ellis with two other boys. The horse became frightened and ran down Loomis street and into the hitching post at the corner of Loomis and North Union streets. Ralph Lee was thrown against the curb and a nearby tree, while the other boys jumped safely.

## DROWNED WHILE BATHING.

Robert N. Morrell Died at Biddeford,  
Me.

Biddeford, Me., June 29.—The body of Robert N. Morrell was found floating in the water at Biddeford yesterday afternoon. He was in bathing and it is thought his death was due to heart failure. He was 60 years old and leaves two daughters, who live in Haverhill and Rockland, Mass.

## SENATE PASSES BILL.

Public Building Bill Now Goes to Presi-  
dent for Signature.

Washington, D. C., June 29.—The Senate yesterday afternoon passed the public building bill after refusing to allow any amendments.

## NATIONAL BANK OF BARRE DIVIDED.

The National Bank of Barre today declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent to stockholders, payable July 2.

THREE EACH  
ON TICKETAgreed On by Democrats and  
Independent Republicans

CLEMENT FOR GOVERNOR

Pape for Lieutenant Governor — Result  
of Two State Conventions Held  
in Burlington Yes-  
terday.

The members of the Jefferson Democratic club struggled back into Barre from Burlington last night and this morning with victory written all over their faces. They had been successful in carrying the Democratic state convention for the fusion idea—the idea which was set a-going in Barre and given such an impetus that it swept the convention clean. The result is that the Democrats and the Independent (Clement) party divide up the positions.

This was won the respect of its enemies. It is in fact an excellent educator. Its enforcement has been much easier than the antiquated prohibitory law. But we deplore the refusal of the Republican party to allow each town and city to elect their license commissioners. To recommend the repeal of the act of 1904 and the enactment of another law giving to the towns the choice of license commissioners.

We recommend the prosecuting officers for their activity in the execution of the law.

Judiciary.

We advocate a trial and jury court; if a change is made in the coming legislature, we trust that in the election of judges the minority will not be forgotten.

We also advocate the passage of a statute declaring that no member of the legislature shall be eligible to any office, executive or judicial, during the term of which he is elected.

No Money Unless Expressly Appropriated.

For years the officers of this state have been expending money without legal right. Section 17, chapter 2 of the Vermont constitution, reads: "No money shall be drawn out of the treasury unless first appropriated by act of legislature."

We contend that the coming legislature ought to fix the sum to be given each institution, commission, or executive body. We commend the work done by the auditor of accounts in the direction suggested.

We call the attention of all voters to this provision of the Vermont constitution, chapter 2, section 26: "Whenever an office, through increase of fees, or otherwise, becomes so profitable as to occasion many to apply for it, the profit ought to be lessened by the legislature."

John A. Pape, when treasurer of Vermont in 1861 to 1865, had \$500 a year. It is now \$2,700 and clerk hire. The secretary of state in odd times was paid \$500 salary. It is now \$2,700. The salaries of most of the offices have been greatly increased.

These salaries are higher in Vermont in proportion than they are elsewhere, and the coming legislature should examine this matter carefully and revise the salary list.

Every legislature regularly increases the number of public offices and secures workers in nearly every town in the state. From only fourteen such public offices in 1870, there are now nearly two hundred of them.

We urge upon the coming legislature to repeal sections 3041 and 3042 as they punish severely workmen for conspiring, but do not punish employer. If the statute is to remain, we urge that it be amended as to apply to employers.

We urge the passage of suitable legislation to protect the labor of children and women, limiting age and hours of labor.

We recommend the abolishment of fees in all public offices and the payment of a salary in lieu thereof.

If the management of the state government continues under the few men who absolutely control public offices and appointments, we cannot look for any lessening of public expenses. They are in proportion to our population and wealth, very heavy and are constantly increasing. They will increase until some strong business man takes the governorship.

Public appointments are also increasing.

The public schools must be kept to the highest standard, and compulsory attendance must be obtained.

The present law is unwise, if not unconstitutional. It was framed in a partisan spirit to obtain a partisan end. We recommend its prompt repeal.

The two last persons hung in Vermont were women. Man after man, who had been duly convicted of murder, received a commutation of sentence. We say the law if it is enforced should be equally enforced on both men and women. Mary Rogers did not die in vain if her death upon the gallows results in the repeal of this law of the dark ages. If the law is suitable, then let all executions be public.

We urge the repeal of the present law of capital punishment. We recommend that the power of pardon be vested in the supreme court.

## Burlington's Old Home Carnival.

Burlington, June 29.—The old home carnival celebration opened yesterday and will continue through Saturday. Among the sporting features were a single scull race between James Rice, American, and Charles Stephenson, the champion of New Zealand, for a purse of \$500; a canoe tilt between James G. Bergen of Walham, Mass., and David Allen of Detroit, Mich., and the fourth annual bench show of the Champlain carnival association, for which there were 320 entries.

## WEBSTERVILLE.

A dance will be held at Primeau's hall Saturday evening. Good music will be furnished. Everybody invited. Full list 25 cents.

LOST LIFE  
IN WATERZano Merrill of South Roy-  
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WITH SEVERAL FRIENDS

Suddenly He Sank Beneath the Water  
and Was Dead When Recovered  
— Heart Failure the  
Cause.

South Royalton, June 29.—Zano Merrill, aged 18 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Merrill who reside about one mile from this village, met his death in the river here yesterday afternoon. The boy went from his home to the village to get some moving machine oil. While at the village he went in swimming with several other boys. His companions saw him suddenly sink beneath the water and when they had finally succeeded in getting his body ashore he was dead. It is thought that his death was caused by heart failure as there was no water in his lungs.

LIGHTNING STRIKES  
TWICE IN BARREKindles a Little Blaze at the House  
of John Kelly on West Hill and  
on Hill Street in  
City.

Lightning struck twice in Barre during the storm early this morning, at the farm of John Kelly on the west hill, and on Hill street. Fortunately there was no great damage done in either case.

At the Kelley farm Mr. Kelly was standing in the yard and was just about to drive to this city to deliver milk when a bolt struck the house. The house was thrown to the ground, but Mr. Kelly was not hurt. The lightning entered the house and ran down the chimney into the cellar, where there was a quantity of bran sacks. These sacks were set afire. The hired man discovered the blaze and ran out and notified Mr. Kelly. The latter left the house and started down stairs. Having on high hip boots he succeeded in staying on the blaze without trouble.

Lightning struck this house also.

STUNNED, ROBBED,  
BOARDED UP IN SHEDMartin Kennedy of Forestdale,  
Shoved Through Hole in the  
Wall.

Rutland, June 29.—It was learned last night that Martin Kennedy, of Forestdale, a laborer, was knocked down by the roadside in West Rutland, a suburban town, last Friday night and, being stunned and robbed, was thrust into the woodshed of an old schoolhouse not to be discovered until late the next morning.

Kennedy was on his way from Rutland to West Rutland on foot. When he reached a piece of road out of sight of any house he was struck from behind and that is the last he remembers, until he came to himself in the school which is several rods off the main road. James Goodspeed found near the roadside early Saturday morning a coat and vest, all pockets being turned wrong side out.

The only clue was a card made out by an insurance company to Martin Kennedy. Goodspeed knew no such man. Later in the day Miss Elizabeth Davis, a teacher, happened to be at the schoolhouse. She heard a noise in the woodshed and culled some men. It was found that Kennedy had been thrust into the building through a hole in the wall which had been boarded up. Kennedy was minus his watch and a small roll of bills. He did not fully recover for three days.

## HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

Peddler Said to Have Been Robbed at  
Wells River.

Report comes from Wells River that a peddler named Allen of Littleton, N. H., was held up and robbed near the old toll bridge in Wells River last night. Three or four men attacked him, and relieved him of a watch and some money. Allen was roughly tied, his face bearing marks which lead to the belief that a sand-bag was used. One man is said to be under arrest for the crime.

## INTERMENT IN ELMORE.

Funeral of Judson Parker Was Held  
Yesterday.

The funeral of the late Judson Parker was held from the house on Spaulding street yesterday morning, the Rev. E. F. Lowe officiating. There was a large attendance of friends and relatives. Many beautiful floral tributes were sent. The pall bearers were George Beckley, John Beckley, John Seales and W. R. Hadley. The body was taken to Elmore for interment.

## CHARGED WITH SELLING.

Fred Brassaw Says He Is Not Guilty  
of It.

Fred Brassaw was arrested last evening by the police on the charge of selling and furnishing intoxicating liquor. He was arraigned in city court last night and pleaded not guilty. His case was set for a hearing this afternoon. He was unable to furnish bail of \$300 and is housed in the city lockup.

Miss Mabel Hall returned to South  
Rutland this afternoon after a visit  
to town.